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PROGRESS REPORT OF THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA, ORR
MONTH OF OCTOBER 1957
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF, GEOGRAPHIC RESEARCH

A. Accomplishments and Coordination Activities

1. In addition to the normal production achieved by the components of the Geographic Area, several notable projects have been undertaken to improve the over-all effectiveness of the Area in meeting its intelligence production responsibilities. The first of these activities has been a series of intra-Divisional briefings to be given regularly for the purpose of bringing every individual in the Area up to date in his knowledge and appreciation of the work going on in all components of the Area. It has been reported by the several divisions participating that these briefing sessions have been of considerable value. The second project undertaken during the month was the first of a series of intelligence briefings to be given by competent area specialists on subjects of geographic intelligence as they apply to significant current developments. The subject of the first briefing was the Turkish-Syrian situation. As briefing experience is gained, invitations will be extended to officials in ORR who would be interested in participating in the review of geographic intelligence as it relates to problems of national concern.

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2. The Cartography Division completed 63 maps and charts, of which



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3. The Map Library Division received 6,730 maps and 1,428 related publications



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